

March 14, 2008

On March 12, 2008 I sent a certified letter to MR. Henry Brown at his home address in Hanahan, South Carolina. This letter was a Notice of Indebtedness to the USDA Forest Service.

On March 13, 2008 just after I arrived at work (8:21 am) my supervisor, Janet Skeen, telephoned me to tell me she would be late since she was tied up in traffic on the Paseo Del Norte. Soon after Janet called Nina Banagay, ASC for Budget and Finance Director Donna Carmical's Administrative Assistant telephoned me (8:30 am) and asked if I knew where Janet Skeen was. I explained the traffic problem Janet had called about and gave Nina Janet's work cell phone number. Almost immediately after concluding Michael Clonts (ASC for Budget and Finance Deputy Director) called me (8:30 am). Michael brought up the letter that had sent to Henry Brown and asked me if I could "pull back that letter", he went on to say that USDA Chief Financial Officer Jesse King had notified the Chief of the Forest Service and USDA Under Secretary For Natural Resources and Environment, Mark Rey. Michael Clonts told me that Mark Rey would be testifying before a U.S. House of Representatives committee of which Henry Brown was a member and Mark Rey did not want Henry Brown to receive the Notice of Indebtedness. I told Michael I would do my best to see if we could retrieve the letter

I then told John Getchell about my conversations with Michael Clonts and walked over to the ASC mailroom. I asked if the mail Claims had sent over the pervious day were still there and was told that were had been taken to the Post Office.

When I got back to the Claims office Janet Skeen had arrived and I told her what had transpired and the conversation I had with Michael Clonts. I then asked Claims Assistant Kim Gachupin to check with the Regional Office to see if the Claims mail was there. Kim told that the RO did not have the mail, but she said she thought there was a way to have the Post Office stop delivery of the letter in question. I informed Janet Skeen and we agreed that Kim should try to have the Post Office intervene in the delivery of the Brown letter. See attached.

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Claims Management

Date: 3/13/08

TO: JANET SKEEN

FR: Kim Gachepin

RE: Mail Recall Henry Brown Correspondence

On March 13, 2008, I requested for a mail recall for correspondence that was mailed on Wednesday, March 12, 2008.

I went to the Post office located on 1135 Broadway Blvd NE, Albuquerque 87101 and filled out PS Form 1509, Sender's Application for Recall of Mail.

When I spoke to the USPS employee, the employee informed me that the form and copies of the envelope and Certified mail receipt will be faxed to the Post office at the North Charleston office on 6401 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29406-4886. The USPS will inform the USPS employee from the North Charleston office to return the mail back to the sender (USFS Claims Branch).

I was informed that it may take at least a week for the mail to be returned back to us and the USPS in North Charleston will contact me once the package has been received.